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This declaration is for an original application.

**INVENTORSHIP IDENTIFICATION**

My residence, post office address and citizenship are as stated below, next to my name. I believe that I am the original, first and sole inventor of the subject matter that is claimed, and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled:

**TITLE OF INVENTION**

Heat Activated Reinforcing Sleeve

**SPECIFICATION IDENTIFICATION**

The specification was filed on March 14, 2000 as Application Serial No. 09/524,961.

**ACKNOWLEDGMENT OF REVIEW OF PAPERS AND DUTY OF CANDOR**

I hereby state that I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above-identified specification, including the claims, as amended by any amendment referred to above.

I acknowledge the duty to disclose information, which is material to patentability as defined in 37, Code of Federal Regulations, Section 1.56, and which is material to the examination of this application, namely, information where there is a substantial likelihood that a reasonable Examiner would consider it important in deciding whether to allow the application to issue as a patent.

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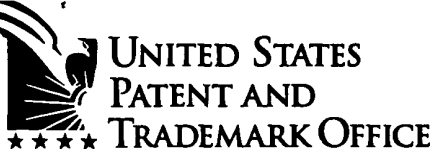
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Heat Activated Reinforcing Sleeve

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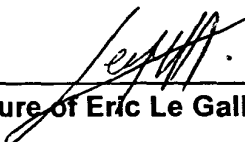
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IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set hand and seal this 24th day of April.

Date: 24.04.2002

  
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